

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK  
Richard BELEMKOAGBA,

Plaintiff,

-against-

PAMELA BONDI, U.S. Attorney General,  
KRISTI NOEM, Secretary, U.S. Department of  
Homeland Security; KIKA SCOTT, Senior  
Official Performing the Duties of the Director,  
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services,  
ROSE KENDRICK, Deputy Center Director  
National Benefits Center, U.S. Citizenship and  
Immigration Services, MICHAEL BORGEN,  
New York City Acting District Director, U.S.  
Citizenship and Immigration Services, Kash  
Patel, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigations,  
LESLIE RODRIGUES BACKSHIRES., FBI NY  
Assistant Director in Charge,

Defendants.

ANALISA TORRES, District Judge:

To protect the public health, while promoting the “just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding,” Fed. R. Civ. P. 1, it is ORDERED pursuant to Rules 30(b)(3) and 30(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that all depositions in this action may be taken via telephone, videoconference, or other remote means. It is further ORDERED pursuant to Rule 30(b)(5) that a deposition will be deemed to have taken place “before an officer appointed or designated under Rule 28” if such officer attends the deposition using the same remote means used to connect all other participants, so long as all participants (including the officer) can clearly hear and be heard by all other participants. The parties are encouraged to engage in discovery through remote means at every available opportunity.

SO ORDERED.

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New York, New York

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**ORDER**



ANALISA TORRES  
United States District Judge